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Windstream Partners With HP to Deliver New Cloud-Ready Solutions

New Partnership Expands Windstream and HP Alliance Via HP PartnerOne Program

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Aug. 18, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Windstream (NASDAQ:WIN), a leading provider of advanced network communications and managed cloud services, today announced that it has joined the HP PartnerOne Program for service providers and will team with HP to provide innovative hosted solutions, built on HP Helion and infrastructure platforms.

Windstream is a market leader of managed network, cloud and data center services for the mid-size enterprise. Windstream offers secure and standard compliant private, public and hybrid cloud, disaster recovery as a service (DRaaS), colocation, and a variety of managed services for a wide range of businesses including healthcare (HIPAA) and financial services (PCI-DSS).

"HP's PartnerOne program will bring HP product innovation and R&D investment, enabling us to deliver better solutions to our customers," said vice president of data center marketing for Windstream, Rob Carter. "We have successfully partnered with HP on individual projects in the past, but solidifying a formal relationship the HP PartnerOne program will drive even greater success across our combined footprint and both sales organizations. Our cloud solutions portfolio, utilizing HP technologies, including HP Helion, showcases this best-in-class partnership and expands HP success within the cloud marketplace."

Through HP PartnerOne, Windstream offers new and existing HP customers powerful new choices and next generation technology solutions for running their business securely and cost-effectively in the cloud, including:

- Private Cloud: Adaptable HP cloud-based server infrastructure and HP 3PAR storage options
- Backup as a Service (BaaS): Automated backup, continuity and business recovery service
- Replication as a Service (RaaS): Automated critical business information storage and database survivability

"As IT departments need to increasingly off-load routine tasks and better predict expenses, they need a new style of computing," said Chuck Adams, Sales Director & Cloud Business Development, HP Service Provider Sales. "Windstream's IT as-a-Service (ITaaS) provides our joint customers with robust, cost-effective managed-cloud services, freeing their IT departments to focus on business-critical tasks. Additionally, our customers can easily accommodate changing demands while paying only for the resources they use."

With the HP PartnerOne program, Windstream and HP are delivering best-of-breed solutions to small, medium, and enterprise customers as R&D teams of each company work together on the next style of computing. Together they are expanding HP cloud and storage solutions to a broader set of customers and prospects.

Learn more about Windstream's Hosted Solutions on its nationwide network of 27 secure, state-of-the-art data centers powered by HP technology by visiting www.windstreambusiness.com.

About Windstream

Windstream, a FORTUNE 500 company, is a leading provider of advanced network communications and technology solutions, including cloud computing and managed services, to businesses nationwide. The company also offers broadband, phone and digital TV services to consumers primarily in rural areas. For more information, visit the company's online newsroom at news.windstream.com or follow on Twitter at [@WindstreamNews](https://twitter.com/WindstreamNews).

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